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**Angelica Blenich Staff** 

A car hits a snow bank and another car as it makes its way around a loop during the ice races on Feb. 5 at the Minden fairgrounds. Ice racing takes place

# Subdivision takes next steps

**Chad Ingram** Staff reporter

A 17-lot subdivision along the Kennisis River came a step closer to fruition last week, with Algonquin Highlands councillors receiving a report on a revised site plan from township

planning consultant Greg Corbett at their Feb. 2 meeting.

Receiving draft approval by the province in 1992, the subdivision plan contained no lapsing date - a typically three to five year period in which construction must take place.

The property owner, Dawn Muir, has been meeting with township and county staff since 2007, trying to satisfy the requirements of the

draft approval.

There are 15 requirements in all, including that road access to the lots is dedicated to the township; that five per cent of the lands or equivalent cash be given to the township for parkland purposes; that a 30-metre building setback from the river's high-water mark be retained; as

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# Whitehorse tragedy hits home

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

A tragedy more than 2,000 kilometres away is hitting home and acting as a reminder how a simple device can

When Sharon Middlehurst heard about the tragedy that took her ex-husband's nephew, Bradley Rusk, his wife, Valerie, and their two children, Rebekah, 11, and Gabriel, 13, she was quite shaken.

The Whitehorse media outlets reported their deaths, as well as that of renter Donald McNamee, were linked to carbon monoxide poisoning.

"This sort of brings it closer to home when you know somebody. And maybe people will stop and think," Middlehurst said, adding they could be alive if they had a carbon monoxide detector.

Middlehurst said she was still close with the family



Shown here are three examples of carbon monoxide alarms. available at several local retail stores in Minden and in Haliburton. / Photo by Darren Lum

despite being divorced from the uncle.

When the firefighters arrived at the scene earlier this week the carbon monoxide gas registered 10 times more than what is detected by a standard household detector.

The police reported the

children had missed the previous week of school and both of them and their parents were expected to miss school and this week due to an illness.

Minden Hills fire chief, Doug Schell encourages all homeowners to get a carbon monoxide alarm and wants them to be mandatory, like smoke alarms.

"I would suggest anybody that has any kind of oil, propone, natural gas [heating system] ... should have one put in their home. It's a good practice," he said.

Carbon monoxide alarms come in a variety of styles, which include combination detectors that are plug-in and battery powered. They range in price from just under \$30 upwards to \$80 and are available at the Home Hardware in Minden, Home Hardware in Haliburton, V&S Stedman's Minden, V&S Stedman's Haliburton, Todd's Independent in Haliburton, Emmerson Lumber Limited in Haliburton and Tim-Br Mart.

Schell recommends every floor of a home have an alarm and believes the combination style alarm is the best.

"[It's a] cheap price to save a life. You can't put a price on life," he said, regarding the cost of a carbon monoxide

Middlehurst has had a carbon monoxide detector in her Ingoldsby home since she renovated in 2001. She purchased another one since learning of the tragedy and was prompted to get her first because her garage is attached to the house.

Carbon monoxide detectors have been mandatory for new residential homes under the National Building Code of Canada since in 2005.

People with carbon monoxide poisoning experience dizziness, nausea, and disorientation before losing consciousness.

The specific cause in this case is currently unknown. However, the fire marshal's office has set its focus on the house's heating system, which used the combination of a wood fireplace and an oil fire boiler system. The system was on when the firefighters arrived.

Middlehurst hopes speaking about their deaths won't be in vain, as it can be a reminder for others to get an

"If it saves one person it's worth it," she said.





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# **Land trust** hits the trails

#### **Photos by Darren Lum**

The Dahl Forest played host to several participants who experienced the 500-acre protected reserve and received tips on technique from veteran Nordic skier Joleen Thomas of the Haliburton Highlands Nordic Ski Association on Feb.
3. A Silent Sports for Seniors event, it was organized by the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust and Algonquin Outfitters Boatwerks. It was the first of four events, the next of which will be snowshoeing on Feb. 25. The Winterfest Legacy Fund contributes to this series of events. Visit the land trust's website (www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca) for more information.



A participant skis along the trail.



Corey Pietryszyn of Algonquin Outfitters Boatwerks helps prepare skiis for a participant.





Above, outfitted for a day in the snow, participants gather at the trail head.

Left, Joleen Thomas of the Haliburton Highlands Nordic Ski Association helps lead and give instruction to skiers.

# AH councillors talk draft budget

**Chad Ingram** Staff reporter

Algonquin Highlands councillors discussed the township's 2012 draft budget during meetings on Feb. 2 and 3.

The draft budget contains approximately \$7.9 million in total expenditures, approximately \$3.5 million of which the township will garner through taxation.

"The budget as presented represents the 2011 levy, plus growth-related taxes of \$36,138," treasurer Tammy McKelvey wrote in her report on the draft budget. "At this point the budget still represents a revenue shortfall of \$59,554 or 1.7 per cent on the tax levy for general municipal purposes. If savings are not found and the 1.7 per cent is added to the levy, the tax rate for general municipal purposes will decrease 5.4 per cent. At this time we are not aware of the county tax rate for 2012; however, the province has released draft education tax rates for 2012 which are decreasing 4.3 per cent for residential properties."

The county cannot finalize its 2012 budget until provincial funding announcements are made. Those are expected to come in March.

#### **Looking for savings in** recreation

Councillors had a few questions for recreation director Melissa Alfano about \$9,600 allocated for the Communities in Bloom program, responsible for the beautifying of Dorset through the use of flowers.

Councillors Marlene Kyle wanted to know if any money was provided by Lake of Bays township.

Half of Dorset sits in the Muskokan township.

Alfano said no, but added that might be something that

could be added to the shared services agreement Algonquin Highlands has with Lake of Bavs.

Reeve Carol Moffatt said she realized that to some people, it might seem like a lot of money to spend on flowers.
"But it makes the village look great," Moffatt said. "It's the

only village we have."

Councillor Gord Henderson noted the township had only actually spent \$8,200 on the program in 2011 and wondered if the amount could be reduced.

Chief administrative officer Angie Bird cautioned that staff water the flowers and that the associated amount of wages can fluctuate based on the weather.

Moffatt, noting that final decisions didn't have to be made yet, said the issue could be noted.

Councillors also talked about reducing expenditures at



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— Reeve Carol Moffatt

the Oxtongue Lake Community Centre.

Approximately \$23,000 had been budgeted for the centre this year, including \$9,800 in building and property

"I have a lot of difficulty with these kinds of capital improvements in a building that gets used about a dozen times a year," Moffatt said.

While the reeve said the community had made a commendable effort to increase usage at the centre (the previous council had contemplated shutting the building down), "they only have a limited number of people to draw from. I don't for a second believe that if we put better cupboards in people will use it."

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Kyle also noted the effort the community had made to use the centre more, but agreed the township needed to be careful about acting too quickly with capital expenditures.

"If we start tearing things down, the dollars are going to add up very quickly," she said.

Councillors agreed that it would be a good idea to have staff inspect the building.

"With apologies to the good folks at Oxtongue Lake, I think we need to have a more comprehensive plan for that building," Moffatt said.

#### **Changes at the airport**

The Stanhope Airport's budget has grown slightly for

While last year's draft budget was approximately \$250,000  $\,$ (with actuals coming in just under \$240,000), \$280,000 is set aside for operations at the airport this year.

New airport manager Duane Hicks is aiming to turn the airport into a community hub where families come to spend time and an increased allotment of \$5,000 to be used towards advertising was included in his budget.

There's different things that we can do out there, that we should start advertising more to promote," Hicks said, adding this would include increased advertising of fly-ins at the facility

"It may not be enough, but it may be enough this year."

There is \$4,000 set aside for building and property

Hicks said some of the hangars require work.

Reeve Carol Moffatt questioned whether that would be enough for the work required at the site.

"In June, there's no coming back for more," Moffatt said. "I'd almost rather see that higher now."

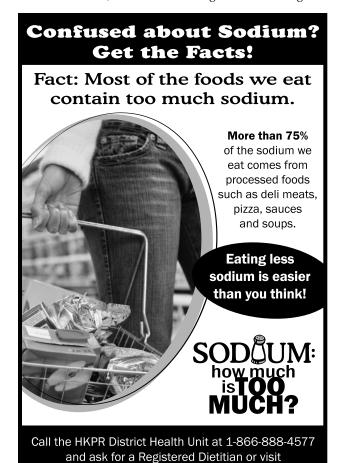
There is also \$40,000 budgeted for a new card-lock fuel system, which Hicks said would pay for itself several times

There is \$1.4 million budgeted for airport development as the township continues to wait for the MNR to move forward on its project to relocate its local fire management base from Haliburton Village to Stanhope.

The hope is that the township will be able to redirect Building Canada Fund dollars that were approved for the runway project to help complete the work it is required to complete as part of relocating the MNR base.

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# Plan received draft approval 20 years ago

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well as the completion of studies including a drainage and erosion control plan.

The subdivision will also require rezoning by the township.

Currently, various parts of the property are zoned recreational commercial (there were plans for a trailer park at one time), rural and environmentally protected.

Rezoning would designate the building lots as shoreline residential.

Identified wetlands would remain under environmental protection and property on the east side of the proposed road would have rural designation.

Because of its existing draft approval from the province, Corbett said that no public meeting is required for the subdivision itself.

However, a public meeting is required for the required zoning changes.

The subdivision would contain five blocks of property that cannot be developed since they contain streams and environmentally protected areas.

"The issue, really, is what to do with these blocks," Corbett said. "By taking it, it does allow you greater control over the protection of those features, but, in the same vein. If you take them they become public property."

Councillors were concerned about creating new public areas that stood to become overrun with people seeking access to the river.

"Access to water is becoming a greater and greater prob-

lem for us," Reeve Carol Moffatt said.

Councillors decided that two of those blocks would be incorporated into adjacent properties and that two, with topography that makes them fairly inaccessible, will be taken over by the township.

The township's official plan means that a back lot area within the fifth block, part of which will also be retained by the township could potentially be built on in the future, since it contains open space zoning.

"You're the only township that I know that allows back lot [development] like that," said Greg Bishop, planning consultant for the property

Moffatt said it would be some time before the project came to fruition.

"It's going to be years before 17 lots that are in a bit of a peculiar area are going to be sold and developed."

The plan must ultimately be approved by the county.



The gas station in Kinmount recently closed its doors and turned off its pumps. The owner cites new fuel tanks that would have cost \$500,000 as the reason for the closure

**Chad Ingram** Staff

# No gas in Kinmount

**Chad Ingram** 

Staff reporter

Anyone who's passed through Kinmount lately may have noticed the gas station is closed.

Owner Lucky Taylor shut down the station about a month ago.

Taylor, whose parents bought the business in 1946, told the *Times* that provincial environmental regulations were going to require him to purchase new gas tanks.

According to the owner, the tanks were going to cost about \$500,000.

Splitting his time between Kinmount and Peterborough,

Taylor will be spending the bulk of his time in the latter from now on.

He said he intends to sell the property at some point.

There seems to be mixed reaction in Kinmount about

the effect of the gas station's closure.

While Highland Cinemas owner Keith Stata told the *Times* the situation could only mean bad news for Kinmount, Shop n' Save owner Hafiz Makani said so far, it's not clear that the gas station's closure is affecting his business.

"It's too early to say anything," Makani said. "January, February, March . . . it's always slow."

The closure of the station, which had a reputation for providing gas at a good price, means the next closest locations to purchase fuel are communities such as Minden, Norland and Fenelon Falls.

Gas station owners in Oxtongue Lake have also expressed concern that the cost of conforming to provincial regulations may force them to shut down their pumps.



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#### our editorial

# Cry me a river

**Chad Ingram** 

Reporter

HAT'S THAT PRAYER? Something about giving us the serenity to accept the things we cannot change?

Some residents of Algonquin Highlands are likely going to require

that kind of serenity in the next little while.

A 17-lot subdivision slated for the banks of the Kennisis River between Big Hawk and Halls lakes is closer to becoming a reality after an Algonquin Highlands council meeting last week.

The peculiar thing about the development, which first received draft approval from the province 20 years ago, is that it came without a lapsing period - a set timeframe during which construction must be completed.

Bound by technicality, it seems at this point that, even if they wanted to, Algonquin Highlands councillors can't prevent the subdivision from going ahead.

Because it's already been subject to the process, no public meeting is required for the subdivision (although one is required for an associated zoning change).

The situation is unfortunate.

Full disclosure: my family's Halls Lake cottage is just a few kilometres away from the area near Little Hawk Lake Road where the subdivision would be located.

> I want a new subdivision along the Kennisis River like I want a kick in the groin, or tickets to a **Justin Bieber concert.**

Because of my connection to the area, I know there are a number of other residents who feel the same way.

What seems like it's bound to become 17

backvards is a beautiful stretch of uninterrupted wilderness, enjoyed not just by river residents, but canoeists, kayakers and tubers.

And it's not their fault a lapsing date wasn't included with draft approval two decades ago.

There's a sliver lining here for a few parties; the would-be homeowners, the township because of the increased property taxes development would bring and the property owner who of course stands to profit substantially.

For most others though, it feels like something is being taken away.



letters to the editor

Kwarky

## Remember when?

To the Editor,

We all understand budget constraints and putting our money to good use. But really, no flower baskets on the main street!

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Remember when a volunteer committee asked the community to donate money or services to turn a flat space into the beautiful Village Green at no cost to the municipality?

Remember when the community was asked to buy a hanging basket to be planted by Anne from Campbell's Florist at no cost to the municipality?

Remember when the same lady organized evenings at Christmas time to make fresh garlands and wreaths to decorate the main street? Some 75 men, women and children came to help and enjoyed hot chocolate and hot dogs on that first evening-all volunteers!

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## Stop nickel and diming

To the Editor,

Re: the de-flowering of Minden: Reeve Reid, Councillors Gall, Clarke and Redpath, community services director Rick Cox:

Kin Warle

Hey, all. Listen up. Brainstorm ahead. Yeah, that's right. Me again. I'm full of ideas.

Okay, so supposedly it costs \$5,500 a season for the privilege of having flower baskets on our sorry-looking main street — the real main street, that is. Not the fake main street out on the highway. Anyhow, lets say we skim off the teeniest, tiniest fraction of all that ATV money and use it for some good in this town? You know? That \$55 million that's supposedly "pouring like an avalanche/comin' down the mountain?" Fifty-five hundred measly bucks wouldn't even be missed! In fact, let's

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# points of view

# **Unstrung**

OW THAT THE smoke has finally cleared from the Super Bowl half-time show, I think it's only fair that we examine what went wrong.

Unlike the rest of the media, I'm not going to make a big deal out of M.I.A.'s one-fingered gesture to the crowd – hey, if she thinks her team is number one, who am I to argue?

No, instead, I'm going to get to the meat of the matter and finally say what everyone in the world has been thinking. That's right, what the heck was going on with that recurve bow? You heard me; it's time to talk about that horrific prop malfunction.

Anyone who watched the show would have had to be blind not to notice that the male dancer carrying that gold-plated recurve bow had it strung backwards! Backwards, I tell you!

I can only say thank God the kids these days have no interest in Madonna – otherwise, they would have had to see this and we, as par-

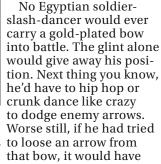
ents, would have had to explain.

Maybe I'm old, but I can still remember a more innocent time when a man took care in the way he strung his bow and carried arrows while dancing in an Egyptian-style manskirt with gold breastplates, matching helmet, feathers and fabulous sandals. Otherwise, he risked being branded a sissy.

Look, I don't even use a recurve bow. But just because I prefer a Howard Hill-style long bow, doesn't mean I can't be deeply offended by this blatant abuse of archery equipment

Of course, this begs a deeper question. Who uses a gold-plated recurve bow?

Honestly.



snapped. Why? Because it was strung backwards!

Maybe, I'm over-reacting, but I demand an apology from NBC, the NFL, Madonna and her prop department. And, not to overstate it, I

think it would also be prudent for her to also produce a public service announcement demonstrating to young dancers the proper way to string a recurve bow.

And, in case you're thinking that I'm just set in my ways, I'm not. I try to keep modern as evidenced by the fact that I don't object too strenuously when other hunters use smokeless powder in their traditional muskets.

But this is too much. No bow can stand up to that kind of abuse.

All I can say is that if this Madonna person was looking for a way to shock the world, she certainly succeeded. What's next? Have her dancers pretend to use a dry fly with deep sinking line?

After this bow fiasco, I wouldn't put it past her.

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## **Memories of Main Street**

**Steve Galea** 

Beyond 35

T MUST BE after nine o'clock on a Friday night when I phone Paul Prentice, well after the time you call anybody at home with anything but bad news.

My bad news is that I have broken the gear shift on my ATV. My fault. Without it, I will not be able to collect tomorrow's sap run. My emergency is Paul's emergency.

Next morning, somebody picks up my machine even as I sleep. By sapgathering time that afternoon it is back in my driveway in perfect working order.

If you have lived up here all of your life, you will find nothing extraordinary in that story. I expect just anybody up here would do that for a regular customer.

But to be able to look up a business owner in the telephone book, and then have him treat you like a neighbour in distress, that feels pretty special. It makes me feel as though I belong.

So when Paul announces last week that he has sold Prentice Power Sports to a very nice man with the unfortunate name of Steve Harper, it knocks yet another prop out from under my illusions of permanence.

First the Heffers and the Pent-

neys retire and now this branch of the Prentices, though The Brown Dog Jiggs and I expect another Prentice clan to keep the road to Sapsucker

Ridge plowed for all of the winters we have left.

I am still a come-fromaway, far too new to remember Minden before the old subsistence economy began to fade away, to remember when there were no grocery stores because everybody grew their own.

Take a look back at old photos of downtown, and there are two general stores

side by side, with gas pumps, on Main Street. Somebody once told me that one store served only Presbyterians, the other only Anglicans, but that may be an over-simplification.

Locals grow and can and often even butcher what they eat. Early cottagers get their produce from a farmer with a fertile piece of lakeshore. He has a rowboat for deliveries, a garden and a milk cow.

The rest, kerosene and canned peaches and fabric for making your own clothes at home, you buy at the general store. That version of Haliburton now seems as exotic as

Uzbekistan. Another country, if you will.

Then Pete Dollo brings the 20th century to town, first with his fruit

stand, and then with his first IGA in the building now occupied by Minden Book & Stationery. Downtown booms in the 1950s.

There are three restaurants, a movie theatre, a bowling alley in what now is the Pharmasave Building. The stores stay open on Saturday night and so do the bars. Everybody comes into town.

Mom finishes the shopping and then sits in the car waiting for 10:30, for dad to stagger out of the Rockliffe or the Dominion at closing time to drive them home.

Total abstainers go home early. Those rowdy Saturday nights are pretty much over by the time I buy my first 25 acres but Main Street is, well, still downtown. The second Dollo's and two hardware stores are just around the corner and the other grocery, the Red and White, is on Main Street.

All that is pretty much gone now, a backwoods village proving that no

town is too small for urban sprawl. Banks and lawyers' offices anchor downtown, a pattern across suburbanized North America.

Stedmans Department Store is still on Main Street on a lot once occupied by a splendid building with third-floor dormers that burned in the sixties.

There are empty storefronts but Pharmasave is about to absorb one of them and expand within walking distance of many of its best customers, the elderly.

Downtown still looks for its new place in the world.

So what does all of this have to do with the retirement of Paul Prentice, whose business was always miles away from Main Street?

What it has do with is a wave of change so gentle that it washes away what we assumed would always be here, change that washes the Dollos from a downtown fruit stand to a medium-box supermarket out on the highway.

It has to do with hardware stores and pharmacies and Canadian Tire and fast-food joints, and with enough more thoughts for next week's column.

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Neil Campbell Back of Beyond

# <u>letters</u>

## Let's bring back the spirit

from page 6

She also organized the sale of wreaths for all businesses to hang on their front doors at no cost to the municipality. Volunteers delivered the wreaths to these businesses.

Remember when we, the volunteers sold hot dogs, held book sales and yard sales in the heat of summer to raise funds for the expansion of the cultural centre?

Remember when we bought bales of hay and stamp sets to help build the R.D. Lawrence Place? Volunteers and service clubs planted gardens along the Riverwalk at no cost to the municipality. Volunteers built wooden walkways and a lookout as well as cleared trails in Snowdon Park. The horticultural society volunteers plant the flower barrels on the main street. Volunteers hold events to fundraise for their Community Centres and I could go on and on!

Volunteerism took pride in the village and

wanted to showcase it as a place to visit. With the new council that spirit has been lacking as the council (or I should say the "Vision Team") seem to want to do everything their way. They will spend thousands of dollars to hire a consulting company to plan a new streetscape for the village who will tell them to plant flowers, hang flower baskets, plant trees, put in benches, add awnings to store fronts and build new facades on all business fronts.

Councils have been on this route before as indicated in the Robert Lehman Report and the Minden Cause Report of May 1982. Very little from these reports was ever followed.

It takes volunteers to create a vibrant village. Let's bring back that spirit and show the Vision Team" how Minden can be a friendly, welcoming and beautiful village with little cost to the municipality.

> **Lois Rigney Canning Lake**

## These are ugly, ugly times

from page 6

do some math here ... Wow! It works out perfectly; you don't even have to carry the 7 or anything crazy like that! See, \$5,500 is exactly 0.01 per cent of \$55,000,000! See how that works? That's nothing! It was meant to be. We can be awash in petunias. We'll never have to worry about being threatened with that horrifying spectre hanging over our heads: namely, that if we choose to spend a few dollars to beautify our town, then there may not be an ambulance available to save us when we go down in a breathless heap. Cheap scare tactic, Ms. Reid. The flower money is nothing. You're nickel and diming this town out of any

respectability. These are ugly, ugly times made even worse by the lack of begonias.

And yes, Mr. Ingram, you're right, as usual. Budget time is hard. We need to have faith in our elected representatives. I, too, would choose a crash cart over a riotous display of snapdragons, especially if it were me lying on the pavement. But has it really come to this?

Councillors, please don't make me write another letter next week, huh? Even I'm getting sick of me.

> Melanie Sedgwick Gelert

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# Local businesses can tap into \$2 million through HCDC

**Angelica Blenich** 

Staff reporter

Haliburton businesses have close to \$2 million at their fingertips through the Eastern Ontario Development Program.

General manager of the Haliburton County Development Corporation Andy Campbell and Patti Tallman, community economic development/operations manager for HCDC, outlined how local entrepreneurs and businesses can access those funds during the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce breakfast on Feb. 2 at Sir Sam's Ski and Summer Resort.

The federal government announced in January that \$1.9 million would be available through the EODP, which services Haliburton County, Kawartha Lakes, Peterborough County and other areas.

The funds will be dispersed over the next two years through a variety of programs such as skills development, youth internships, business planning and market expansion, local initiatives and community capacity building.

"The government is really focusing in on jobs, that's what they would like to see," said Campbell.

This is the seventh year HCDC has been facilitating programs through the

There are two components to the programs: business development and community innovation.

Funds geared towards business development include assisting with training for employers, research, planning and marketing expansion and implementing information and communication technologies.

There is a total of \$385,000 available for business development per year, for the next two years.

Many of the business development funds, such as training, cannot be used for seasonal employees.

Community innovation funds can be used to support not-for-profit organizations with projects that encourage community economic development, or projects that make a significant impact on économic development in Haliburton

Almost \$374,000 has been granted for community innovations per year.

In addition, \$60,000 is available for collaborative economic development projects that benefit two or more Community Futures Development Corpora-

Applications are being accepted for the various programs. Funding will begin

For more information visit www.haliburtoncdc.ca or call 705-457-3555.

#### **Angelica Blenich** Staff

Community economic development/ operations manager of the Haliburton County Development Corporation Patti Tallman outlines some of the funding opportunities available to local businesses through the Eastern Ontario Development Program at the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce breakfast held at Sir Sam's ski and summer resort on Feb. 2. The EODP recently announced \$1.9 million was available for Haliburton County and the surrounding region.





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**PUBLIC MEETING** 

February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 (regular Council meeting - 10:00 a.m.) Budget to be passed

#### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

The Township of Minden Hills is requesting proposals from qualified consultants for consulting services, including monitoring, reporting and compliance for its Landfill sites, both active and inactive, throughout the Township of Minden Hills. Tenders will be received in a SEALED envelope clearly marked "Environmental Monitoring and Annual Reporting at Township Landfills" no later than Thursday February 16, 2012 at 12:00 noon, at:

Township of Minden Hills Attention: Chris Voth, Environmental and **Property Operations Manager** P.O. Box 359 7 Milne Street, Minden, ON K0M 2K0

Full details are included on our website www. mindenhills.ca (notices) or can be obtained by calling Chris Voth, Environmental and Property Operations Manager at 705-286-1260, Ex. 216. (cvoth@mindenhills.ca)

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

#### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

**February 9** Committee of the Whole/ General Committee meeting (10:00 am public session) and **Budget Discussion February 11** 4:30 pm-7:30 pm Spaghetti dinner (Lochlin Hall) February 15 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm Budget Meeting (public welcome) Council Chambers **February 17** 7:00 pm – Irondale Community Centre Committee meeting (Irondale Hall) **February 19** Winterfest - S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena **February 20** Administration Offices will be **CLOSED for FAMILY DAY** Council Meeting (10:00 am public February 23 session) - Budget to be passed Ice Fishing Derby (Pigeon Lake) – Minden Hills Fire Department sponsor February 26 March 8 Committee of the Whole/ General Committee meeting (10:00 am public session) March 29 Council Meeting (10:00 am public session)



#### Cultural Centre **Photography Workshop**

February 11th 10am to 3pm Cost: \$25/person

Learn how to get the best from your camera through this informal yet informative basic photography class. Take the mystery out of aperture, shutter speed and ISO (film speed) while learning creative techniques to improve your composition. In the morning participants will work with photojournalist Darren Lum creating and evaluating photographs. In the afternoon participants will work with media arts person Tammy Rea who will unravel the mystery behind file types, how to use digital files in applications and other computer to camera technical functions.

Call the Agnes Jamieson Gallery at 705-286-3763 to register or for more information

#### **Culture Club March Break Programs**

All workshops run from 10:30am to 3:30pm, include supplies, and are recommended for children age 8+ Children need to bring a lunch. Cost per session per child is \$20. Pre-paid registration is required.

Please call 705-286-2808 to register.

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#### THE LOCHLIN COMMUNITY CENTRE IS HOSTING A SPAGHETTI DINNER



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Kevin Hill, CRS-S Road Superintendent. (705) 286-3144

#### **NOTICE:** CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTE

FEE INCREASE In August 2011, Council implemented further procedures to ensure that no outside waste is being brought into the township's landfill sites. Please be advised that Council at their February 23rd Council meeting will be reviewing a change to the Fees and Charges By-law, which will increase the cost of Construction and Demolition Waste entering the Township of Minden landfill sites, to \$40.00 per cubic yard of waste. If passed at the February 23rd, 2012 Council meeting, this increase will be effective March 1st, 2012. This is just another measure for Council to consider the life of its landfill sites and the costs related thereto on behalf of its ratepayers. For further information, please contact the Environmental & Property Operations Manager (705) 286-1260 ext 216.

## NHL alumni and troops support charity hockey tournament

**Angelica Blenich** 

Staff reporter

They wanted to show their love for hockey and their support for Canada.

From Feb. 3 to 5 Haliburton County was awash in NHL alumni and Canadian military troops, both in town for the Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament.

The weekend kicked off with a dinner and live auction held at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena on Feb. 3.

Items that were auctioned off included a signed Cody Hodgson Vancouver Canucks jersey and an autographed Matt Duchene print, which raised over \$1,400 combined.

Catered by Rhubarb, the dinner included commentary by master of ceremonies Bryan Lewis, a retired NHL referee and special guest speaker Mark Napier, a



#### It's people like you that make me proud to serve.

— Col. Louis Meloche CFB Borden

two-time Stanley Cup winner.

Guests of honour included troops from CFB Borden and CFB Petewawa, who played against each other in a special exhibition hockey game on Feb. 4.

During his opening remarks Morrison thanked the troops for their dedicated service and for participating in the tournament, which raises funds for Community Care Haliburton County.

Col. Louis Meloche of CFB Borden said he was glad to be part of such a worthwhile event and that it was a pleasure to serve Canada.

"It's people like you that make me proud to serve," he said.

When Napier got the call from Morrison asking if he would get involved in this year's charity event he didn't hesitate.

Napier spoke about two trips he recently made to Afghanistan, where he played ball hockey with troops stationed in Kanda-

"All we knew is we wanted to go over to support our troops," he said.

The trip was void of politicians and members of the media, a tactic that was done on purpose, said Napier.

"We didn't want that kind of attention." The group headed oversees on Prime Minister Stephen Harper's airplane and when they landed at 9 a.m. it was already 40 degrees outside.

The trip was a memorable one and it wasn't long before Napier returned to visit another set of troops.

"As a Canadian I couldn't have been prouder," he said.

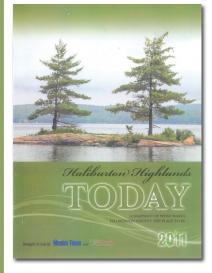
Following the journey, Napier learned that the troops were still talking about the visit four months later.

The adventure left him with a new appreciation for the military, he said.

We should all be proud of our military and what they do for us."

The three day charity event also included a meet and greet with the troops at the Haliburton Legion on Feb. 4 and a silent auction during the exhibition game between the two military bases.

The final score of the hockey game was 3-4 in favour of CFB Borden.



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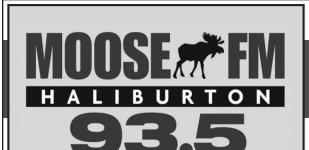
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**Angelica Blenich Staff** 

A charity dinner catered by Rhubarb was held at the S.G. Nesbitt Memoral Arena on Feb. 3 for the Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament.

In support of Community Care Haliburton County, the three day tournament included a live and silent auction with items such as an autographed Matt Duchene print and a signed Cody Hodgson Vancouver Canucks jersey.



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# 35 years later ice racing tradition continues in Minden

#### **Angelica Blenich**

Staff reporter

It's a celebration year for one of Minden's most popu-

For the past 35 years ice racing has found a home at the fairgrounds thanks to some dedication and foresight by Tom Prentice and the Minden Kinsmen Club.

Taking place on Saturdays and Sundays, from January to March, the annual event welcomes car clubs and racers from all over the province, said Prentice.

Each weekend more than 200 racers hit the Minden track to compete for points, which go towards an overall standing that culminates in a final banquet complete with prizes.

That number [300] is a little below average, because of the winter weather we're short one [race] class. There just hasn't been enough cold weather," said Prentice.

The local kinsmen club, which helped bring the event to Minden some 35 years ago, builds the racetrack.

Each week a different car club organizes the race, with clubs from Toronto, Barrie and Peterborough participat-

The races are governed under the Canadian Automobile Sports Clubs (CASC), which is responsible for organized car races all over the country.

Prentice, 71, has been a member of the Kinsmen club for close to 40 years, currently serving as the organization's president. He was instrumental in bringing the event to the area.

"I happened to be down in Peterborough and I heard about it and thought it would make a good Kinsmen project for winter carnival, he said. "At that time Minden hosted a winter carnival."

After getting a hold of CASC, Prentice spoke to the Peterborough club and convinced them to hold a racing event in Minden.

"At that point we started hosting one weekend a year," he said.

During that time other clubs were hosting races on lakes, which resulted in some trouble.

"Some of the car clubs said, 'why are we fooling around on the lake when there's a perfectly good dry land track sitting in Minden?" said Prentice.

This led to more races held locally, eventually leading the CASC to host an entire series in Minden.

The decision was more economical for the racers, who began increasing in numbers, said Prentice.

"A lot of people think it's just a bunch of guys getting together for some fun, which it is, but it is really well organized with strict rules," he said.

Ice racing takes place from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays and 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays at the fair-



**Angelica Blenich Staff** 

Vehicles of all shapes and sizes battle it out on the ice track.



Racers make their way onto the track at the start of another

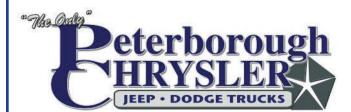


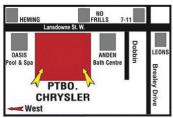
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# Peterborough hospital discusses its role

Jenn Watt

Editor

Coming off drastic cutbacks to balance its budget and radical restructuring, Peterborough Regional Health Centre top administrators came to Haliburton to discuss its role in regional health-care provision.

The hospital, which is housed in a \$180 million building, is a hub for the "north east cluster" of this health region.

CEO Ken Tremblay and chief of staff Peter McLaughlin told the board that for the past two years, they have battled not only financial problems (being \$100 million in debt), but culture problems including the perception they are Peterboroughcentric and unresponsive to other hospitals' needs.

"We were so busy pouring concrete [for the new building] for the better part of three years and planning for it for the better part of five years that perhaps some of our relationships waned," Tremblay said.

In order to conform to government requirements, the hospital had to eliminate its deficit, cutting 10 per cent out of its budget (\$27 million), requiring the elimination of 292 jobs.

Now Tremblay is responsible for encouraging a culture that supports the health-care needs of people in Lindsay, Haliburton County, Northumberland, Campbellford and Peterborough County.

The hope is that services offered in Peterborough will be better integrated into the communities the regional institution serves.

"A year from now, our intent is that we will have for the region a full ... program for people who have a clot in a major vessel causing a heart attack, having the ambulances in the region bypassing the local hospital and going directly to the [catherization] lab in Peterborough," said McLaughlin.

One of the institution's biggest problems – which affects Haliburton patients – is a lack of beds.

"As fast as we opened beds and incurred the expense, they became ALC [alternate level of care] patients, which meant we spent the money, but didn't get the credit," Tremblay said.

Despite provincial programs designed to

keep ALC patients out of acute care beds, Tremblay told the board every day about 25 beds are used by those who should be cared for at home or in long-term-care facilities.

Haliburton patients often use the Peterborough hospital for surgery and orthopedics, some trauma patients are sent there as are unstable heart attack patients, among others.

See more coverage of the meeting on page 15.

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You will need a digital camera and your camera manual. If you have a laptop computer this will also be handy to bring.

Please bring three photos (or images on CD) you like a lot and have taken. Be prepared with appropriate clothing to take photos for evaluation and feedback during the morning session.

The class is on Feb. 11 at 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and costs \$25 per person. Call the Agnes Jamieson Gallery at 705-286-3763 to register or for more information.



Check out our website and photo gallery

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#### Comment–Preliminary Management Statement Clear Lake Conservation Reserve Dawson Ponds & Plastic Lake Conservation Reserve

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If the answer is yes, the **Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)** is providing this opportunity for you to comment on the preliminary management statement for **Clear Lake Conservation Reserve**, and **Dawson Ponds and Plastic Lake Conservation Reserve**.

#### How to Get Involved

The preliminary management statement presents the proposed policies, implementation priorities, and management direction for the conservation reserves. Comments will be accepted until

The preliminary statement will be posted on the Environmental Registry of the Environmental Bill of Rights website at **ontario.ca/ebr** and on the Ontario Parks website at **OntarioParks.com/planning**. Copies are also available from the contact listed below.

#### Stay Involved

In addition, an open house to provide interested parties with an opportunity to comment on the preliminary management statement and/or the planning process has been scheduled for:

date: Thursday, February 16, 2012

location: Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall

1095 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, ON

tel: 705-766-9968 time: 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

For further information, to submit comments, and/or to be added to the project mailing list, please contact:

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# Lots of activities for kids during March break

Let your imagination run wild at the Agnes Jamison Gallery this March break!

Each day a different program is being offered for children ages eight and up. These fun and creative workshops will be running Monday, March 12 to Friday, March 16 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Come and create a new world, make your own lava lamp, design your own comic book, make a fantastic flying machine, paint and draw to your heart's content.

The cost per child is \$20 per session, prepaid registration is required. Supplies are included. Children are required to bring a

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Children will make their own comic book and work on caricatures using bold graffitilike styles. Looking at some of the most creative work done in the arts world like Roy Lichtenstein and Andy Warhol will help children explore different ideas. Children will also work on a plasticene relief cartoon character.

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In the painting portion children will learn basic painting techniques as they work on a small canvas in acrylic paints.

The second portion works with drawing techniques and learning basic learning rules for perspective and figurative drawing which will then be abstracted into planes and shapes creating a Picasso portrait.











# Health services budget balanced in 2012

Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Feb. 2 meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board.

HHHS CEO Rosebush reported that the budget would again this year be balanced. Firm numbers from the province are still to come for next year's budget.

"We've been asked to plan with a one-per-cent increase ... that means no change to any of our departments or services for next year," Rosebush said.

In his report on behalf of the finance committee, Nichol said HHHS is in good financial shape, but that under-funding of hospitals by the government would be an issue to deal with in coming years.

"The Ministry of Health is going to increase revenue by one per cent, salaries are going to go up 1.5 per cent ... supply will increase two per cent," he said.

"For 2013, we can make it work. 2014 we start to slip a little bit. 2015 we'll be over \$100,000 in deficit if nothing else changes. That's three years out." (Nichol's comments assumed a one per cent increase this year followed by two years with no increases.)

#### **ER** usage steady

In an update to the board, Rosebush said that both the Haliburton and Minden hospitals were serving a normal number of patients. At the end of the third quarter, about 22,000 people had gone through the facilities' emergency rooms.

With one quarter to go, that puts the ERs on track to meet last year's 27,000 mark. "Those are normal patient volumes for HHHS. So, we're not seeing an increase, we're not seeing a decrease, we're seeing normal performance at both of our emergency rooms," Rosebush said of the last quarter's 6,000

#### Outbreak management applauded

Staff of HHHS contained two separate outbreaks over the holidays. A respiratory outbreak at Hyland Crest in Minden and a Noro virus outbreak at the Haliburton hospital were both kept under control. The Noro virus infected seven patients and four staff, but it never spread into the attached long-term-care wing, a credit to the staff, Rosebush said.

At Hyland Crest, the outbreak affected six residents, but no

"I want to give all my staff a lot of praise for managing these outbreaks," Rosebush said.

Outbreaks are bound to happen in places people come when they're sick, Rosebush said. The important thing is to limit the spread. Board member Marnie Falkiner read about the outbreak online, and commended staff.

"I thought you guys did an amazing job controlling this ...

you did a great job maintaining services and controlling the outbreak," she said.

#### **Geothermal in its final stages**

Heating and cooling systems installed at both HHHS buildings are nearly complete.

'I did pay a fuel bill recently, so I'm hoping I won't see another one of those again for some time," Rosebush said.

Finance committee chairperson Hugh Nichol said the new systems should allow for better budgeting, protecting the hospital from the peaks and valleys of fuel costs.

"Last year, in the last quarter, we lost \$50,000 ... in February/ March, because of the spike in heating and oil price. \$50,000 in two months. One of the great things about geothermal ... it does take that risk factor out. We're not going to be subject to rising oil prices," he said.

#### Smoke free policy going smoothly

It's been one month since both Minden and Haliburton hospitals instituted their smoke-free policy, restricting smoking on the entire property of both institutions. There was some disagreement about how this would affect long-time smokers, both patients and staff, but Rosebush told the board there was very little pushback.

"We've done it, essentially, without incident and without adverse staff reaction," he said.

#### **Grants for long-term care**

Minden's Hyland Crest will be receiving \$30,000 and Haliburton's Highland Wood will get \$20,000 from the province for safety and quality upgrades. Money will be used to install ceiling lifts in the few rooms that don't yet have them and improve lighting. As an aside, Rosebush told the board the director of care position for the two long-term-care homes is still vacant, though some promising applications have come in.

Beth Archibald left the position in November. There will be a formal gala for Hyland Crest on Feb. 17.

Rosebush told the board that HHHS is moving forward on all of its goals as outlined in the strategic plan. Two years into a three-year plan, budgets have been balanced, a geothermal system installed, relationships (both local and regional) have improved and staff are happy.

"Because we've developed a good relationship with the LHIN they listen to us," Rosebush said.

That relationship has led to a "windfall" of funding for HHHS. The human resources department has a low grievance rate, low staff turnover and low vacancy levels. Rosebush said these positive relations had to do with regular communication with the staff allowing them to speak their minds and understand hospital decisions. Access to core rural services was another point on the plan's checklist and Rosebush pointed to the restoration of ultrasound services and the addition of a palliative care suite as examples of improvement to services.

Prevention and health promotion were improved through the smoke-free policy, wellness literature in the ER, installing exercise equipment for staff and getting the staff flu vaccination rate up. This year 70 per cent of staff were vaccinated. Last year the rate was 75 per cent. Most hospitals report a 50 per cent vaccination rate, he said.

#### Fundraising ahead of last year

Foundation executive director Dale Walker reported that the Christmas campaign had brought in \$80,000. She said the foundation would be on course to purchase X-ray machines for HHHS by the summer of 2012. Fundraising was made easier "because of the good care at HHHS," Walker said.

Following the X-ray equipment, the foundation will begin a campaign to build a new palliative care suite for the Haliburton hospital. There is already support for the idea and donations have come in ahead of the campaign. Curl for Care is the next fundraiser for HHHSF to be held March 10.







# Reads of the week



#### **Book of the Week:**

The Guardian by Andrew Pyper

Trevor, Randy, Ben and Carl grew up together in the small south-western Ontario town of Grimshaw. Twenty-four years later, when Ben commits suicide, the three remaining friends gather once again in their hometown. But going home means returning to haunting memories, and that's not always easy. The three men are forced to confront their recollections of a sinister crime that happened in an abandoned house in their neighbourhood — a crime that has somehow clawed its way into the present, threatening the terrified group until they are forced to confront their eerie past. If you enjoyed Stephen King's short story *The Body*, which inspired the movie Stand By Me, then try The Guardian, available in print and e-book formats from your library.

#### **Junior Book of the Week: Picture Book Title**

Please Take Me For A Walk by Susan Gal Meet a puppy eager to be taken on his dream walk. As the adorable pup pleads with the reader to be taken on a stroll, he imagines everything you'll see and do together. He wants to greet the neighbourhood squirrels, catch Frisbees, bond with other dogs, and visit his favourite places, including the grocer, the florist, and, of course, the park. At the end of the story he finally reveals his favourite part of the walk. See your community through a puppy's eyes by reserving *Please Take Me For* A Walk at the Haliburton County Public Library.

#### **Local Celebrity Read:**



Grace Callaway is currently reading The World We Live In, the third installment in *The* Last Survi*vor* series by Susan Beth Pfeffer. Callaway, a Grade 11 student at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. is an avid reader who has devoured this popular YA series, which was suggested to her by HHSS's teacherlibrarian. Michele

Shapiera. These novels imagine a world in chaos after a meteor has struck the moon, pushing it closer to Earth. Catastrophes and post-apocalyptic like events ensue as volcanoes erupt, flooding occurs, and people are left without food, clean water and electricity.

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"The books are written in diary format," Callaway explains. "The first book is about a girl in a small town, the second book is about a boy in the city, and in the third book they meet.

The story follows how they survive, and

the changes they must deal with in the aftermath of the asteroid. There is no sunlight and food is scarce, so they have to scavenge."

"I liked these books because they are so believable," says Callaway. "This kind of disaster could really happen."

Callaway also mentions that these were the first books she has read that were related to forensic science.

"I want to be a forensic scientist and these books relate to the forensic field - so I really like them."

#### **News and Events:**

Frost Festival Fun at your library! We invite kids to come visit the Bird Cafe at the Dysart branch in Haliburton Village on Saturday, Feb. 18, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

There will be bird feeding crafts, winter bird colouring pictures, fact sheets, bird feed recipes and a scavenger hunt!

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#### A little ice fishing

Ken James sent in this photo of young Cooper ice fishing on Bob Lake in late January. /Photo submitted

# Programs help pregnant women and Babies don't new moms quit smoking



Research shows majority of women who smoke while pregnant come from marginalized groups

In 2007-2008 there were over 14,000 Ontario women who smoked tobacco and 10,000 of them wanted to quit smok-

This estimate likely under represents the true prevalence of smoking during pregnancy because many pregnant women are reluctant to disclose they are smokers due to the stigma, shame and guilt attached to smoking while pregnant.

When pregnant women smoke they are twice as likely to have low birth weight and/or premature babies as women who never smoked. Smoking cigarettes is also associated with a number of other pregnancy complications including the risk of developing placental problems.

Premature babies cost up to five times as much as a fullterm baby in the immediate post-delivery phase.

Low birth weight babies also face increased risk of serious health problems, chronic lifelong disabilities such as cerebral palsy, learning problems, developmental disabilities, and even death.

'Given the health consequences of smoking on the mother and the fetus, it is in everyone's interest to help women quit smoking," says Pat Campbell, CEO, Echo: Improving Women's Health in Ontario, an agency of the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

Echo has recently partnered with the Centre for Community Based Research, Peterborough County Public Health Unit, North Bay Indian Friendship Center, the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, the Ontario Tobacco Research Unit and the Program Training and Consultation Centre on a project to increase smoking cessation in pregnant or recently pregnant women who experience margin-

Two partners, Peterborough PHU, and NBIFC are hosts to newly developed programs which were designed by supporting community women tailor best practice guidelines to reflect local needs.

Centre for Addictions and Mental Health is also revamping PREGNETS, an online provincial resource that helps pregnant women quit smoking and provides up to date information to health care providers.

"While the province has some tools to helping pregnant women quit smoking, there are a lack of community-based programs to support pregnant women who are marginalized to quit," says Joanna Ochocka of CCBR.

"Research shows that the majority of pregnant women who smoke are more likely to be from groups that are marginalized, including low income, Aboriginal, and Northern Ontario women. We need effective quit programs that can

"While there are smoking cessation best practices to guide organizations in program design, community input can help ensure smoking cessation programs are relevant and responsive to the specific needs of the communities they serve making the programs both evidence based and context sensitive," says Campbell.

Echo is encouraging the spread of its program design methods across the province to ultimately support pregnant or recently pregnant women to quit smoking.

Ignite Innovation, a website created to bring together community women, service providers, and policy makers toward developing responsive, inclusive, non-judgmental, non-stigmatizing quit smoking programs has been created to support this goal.

The website will launch early in 2012.

# come with an owner's manual

Parents-to-be are invited to attend the next Healthy Beginnings prenatal class that starts on March 19 in Haliburton County. The free class, organized by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, runs for four weekly sessions concluding in mid-April.

To register or find out more information about the prenatal class, contact the health unit at 705-457-1391 or tollfree at 1-866-888-4577. You can also email info@hkpr.on.ca for more details.

Couples are encouraged to register early, even if they have just learned they are pregnant, as this prenatal class may be the only one offered this spring in Haliburton

A family health nurse will lead the prenatal class, providing information to expectant parents about labour and delivery, infant care and safety, feeding the baby and adjusting to life after the baby is born.

Pregnant women are encouraged to bring a partner or coach to the class.

Each participant also receives a free copy of the Healthy Beginnings pregnancy guidebook and can find out details about health unit services and programs that support healthy families.



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#### **Sharing the** gift of reading

Literary specialist Beverléa Jackson reads Bear Snores On to children at the MInden Hills branch of the Haliburton County Public Library to celebrate Family Literacy Day on the afternoon of Jan. 27. Jackson gave a reading at the Dysart branch earlier in the day.

**Chad Ingram** Staff



# A tragic love story

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

This is a story from long ago.

Whether it is real or not is up to you. Take from it what you will, as with any story told there is always an element of faith and this one is no different.

Known by the guides of the Minden Ghost Walk, • set in Minden, as The Town with a Broken Heart, this is a tragic love story.

Minden in the 1870s was a booming town, full of trappers and loggers like Moffom Boyd. Moffom had a large logging operation, mainly employing young men from Quebec.

One of those men was Val Richard. The 21-year-old Richard stood tall and strong, like the trees he fell. He was a passionate man and came from a small town far from the Gull River. There wasn't anything he couldn't do.

His love for the forest and the work that kept him there was unequalled until he saw the fair and fine Lily Boyd, who made all the men turn in admiration. No one dared to speak to her though. The 17-year-old daughter of a local, upstanding merchant, she was expected to marry a gentleman. Regardless of expectations and several warnings, Richards couldn't resist Lily's beauty. On a rare day when he and the other loggers were not working Lily happened to walk by him. In that moment the two shared a glance, falling in love. They subsequently met in secret, sharing every spare moment, staring up at the stars at night, holding each other before the sunrise.

She often snuck out of the house to meet him behind the

farmhouse (located by today's Agnes Jamieson Gallery). Their love developed and blossomed. Neither thought of anything else except each other when apart.

When the daughter's father found out, he forbid her to ever see him again, promising to send her away to an uncle in Toronto within the week.

Distraught and unable to communicate with Lily, Richard hung himself from a tree on a hill by the very farm-

> house they shared many nights together.

That very same day, Lily, having no knowledge of the boy's death, managed to escape her house. She drowned herself by jumping off the bridge on the Gull River wearing a dress she had sewn heavy stones into. Being unable to swim, she sunk to the riverbed and drowned.

At the very moment of her death, people all over town heard a loud rumble and moaning sound. The ground shook and began to crack. The crack can still be seen on the road today. You can see the crack spanning Bobcaygeon Road. It goes right down to the foundation of the buildings and will reopen if someone tries to repair it. In winter the ice will crack along the same spot.

The story has been told by guides Verola and Elijah P. Trumpett and was courtesy of The Conjurors of County Town, who help to organize and run the Ghost Walks. They are sponsored by Arts Alive Minden and hosted in the spring and summer at the River Cone Restaurant. Haliburton is expected to host its own Ghost Walks this summer.

# www.mindentimes.ca

# .ace up your skates

On sunday Feb. 5 four Minden skaters accompanied by their coach travelled to Kingston to attend a seminar that was to be conducted by Jeffery Buttle, a former Canadian and World Champion. However, upon arrival at their hotel, an email had been sent to tell the skaters that Jeffery had an injury and was not gong to be able to attend. The Eastern Ontario section along with Jeffery were able to find a last minute replacement - and Shawn Sawyer graciously stepped in to conduct the on

Madison Allaire, Ariel Weiss, Ruthie Parker and Sky Miscio were not disappointed. Shawn instructed the on-ice portions of the day teaching spins, edge quality and jumps, as well as an office session sharing his ups and downs during his successful skating career. He finished the on ice session by demonstrating to the skaters his amazing back flip and a very unique spin that only Shawn can do! He imparted to the young skaters that, "he was in his own reason for skating." Not his parents or his peers. He said he has idols but that they changed seasonally based on his current goal. He calls Jeffery Buttle as one such person.. "Jeffery had the complete package" and was someone a lot of skaters looked up to. But after each performance where he was alone on the ice. It was his sole responsibility to skate his best. Everyone else had prepared him for that moment.

The day was completed with sessions in conditioning, ballet, nutrition and the new marking system with two sessions on ice - a very full and rewarding day. They rose shortly after 6:30 a.m. Monday morning and got back to Minden by 8:15 pm still smiling and awake!

Shawn has been one of the leading male competitor's in Canadian figure skating and has competed at national, international and Olympic level events and we are very fortunate to have a figure skater of Shawn's caliber conducting this session. Thanks to Shawn for stepping in on such short notice and we have sent our best wishes to Jeffrey for a speedy recovery.

#### Career Highlights

"Shawn Sawyer was born in Edmundston, New Brunswick. He started skating at age nine. Even as a young skater, he was known for his artistry and his spirals. This attracted the attention of Olympic bronze medalist Toller Cranston. Cranston was about to retire from show skating and he envisioned a final tribute show in which he and other skaters passed down their knowledge of skating and life lessons to a young skater. This skater was Shawn Sawyer.

At the 2004 Cup of Russia, Sawyer's first senior international event, he placed just off the podium. He placed ninth at the 2004 NHK Trophy. At nationals, he won the bronze medal, earning him a trip to the 2005 Four Continents. His podium finish did not earn him a spot to Worlds because Canada had only two spots to the 2005 World Championships.

In the 2005-2006 season, the Olympic season, Sawyer placed in the middle of the fields in his two Grand Prix events. But he held on to the bronze position at Nationals, earning him a spot to the Olympics and to Worlds. He placed 12th at the Olympics and 21st at Worlds, held in Calgary.

In the 2006-2007 season, Sawyer placed just off the podium at the Skate Canada competition. Sawyer then placed eighth at the Grand Prix event in Paris. At Nationals, he was ahead after the short program, but a charismatic comeback performance by Emanuel Sandhu pushed Sawyer down to fourth, depriving him of a spot to Four Continents and Worlds.

In the 2007-2008 season, Sawyer placed seventh at his first event, the 2007 Cup of China. At his second event, the 2007 NHK Trophy, he placed ninth. At the 2008 Canadian Championships, he won his third bronze medal at that competition. This earned him a trip to the 2008 Four Continents, where he placed ninth.

The 2008-2009 season started off with two back to back competitions for Sawyer. He opened the season at 2008 Skate America where he placed fifth and then continued to 2008 Skate Canada International where he again placed fifth. Even though his overall placement was fifth, he did win the free skate with a score of 142.36.

In 2009-2010, Sawyer was awarded the silver medal at Skate America, but placed fourth at Canadian Nationals, narrowly missing a trip to the 2010 Olympic Games by two spots.

In 2010-2011, he won the silver at the 2011 Canadian Championships and was named to the team for the World Championships.



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## EcoEnergy Retrofit-Homes program ends earlier than expected

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

People in Haliburton County are disappointed about the premature end to a popular grant program that enabled homeowners to make their homes more energy efficient.

As of Jan. 28, the federal government stopped taking new applications for the ecoEnergy Retrofit-Homes program, two months before the scheduled due date of March 31.

The government contends the program, which was budgeted for \$400 million, ran its course hitting its goal of helping 250,000 homeowners.

"March 31 is only 60 days away. If you waited til now [to sign up] it's pretty late in the day" Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock Conservative MP Barry Devolin said.

The program offered rebates of up to \$5,000 on the cost of making residential homes more energy efficient and was launched in June, 2011.

The federal government also announced the extension of the retrofit evaluation deadline to June 30, 2012.

Anyone already enrolled in the program faces a March 31 deadline to complete renovations. Devolin stressed that to say the program has been cancelled, is a misnomer.

He said it was always intended to end when the goal of

Pam Sayne of Know Your Home Inspections speaks about the subject of heat loss and creating energy efficient homes at a Chamber of Commerce breakfast last year. Sayne believes the retrofit program was beneficial to all those involved. /File photo

 $250,\!000\,homeowners\,registering\,was\,reached.$ 

The lesson to those who delayed registering, he said, was that if a program is to run for a year, don't wait until the last six

The program's actual expenditure won't be revealed, Devolin said, until after June 30. Local certified evaluator Pam Sayne of Know Your Home Inspections Inc. based in Minden was not entirely surprised by the decision since she has seen these types of programs start and stop during her 15 years in the industry. The energy auditor likens her company to riding a wave, determined by the whim of the government that happens to be in power.

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She believed the program was great for everyone involved.

"It's a matter of government priorities. I think this is a win-win-win situation. It reduces our dependency on fuel. It improves the household budget across the country and it creates jobs. I know every time I walk out the door I pay the government directly through HST anywhere between \$22 to almost \$200 in a day and that goes directly to the government because I'm a service organization," she said.

She doesn't rely solely on the program, providing service to the real estate industry, but it does help customers, the government and the entire country, including the preservation of the housing stock.

Sayne's company provides service to the Haliburton County, Kawartha Lakes, Bancroft, Maynooth and Pembroke. Her service includes inspections and audits to inform homeowners about the energy efficiency and health of their home.

"It's not just the measured effect. People are actually sensing the difference [in terms of health] and paying less in their

The health of the home is directly related to the money people can save and the health of its occupants, she said, adding allergies and other respiratory illnesses are often interrelated.

The program is not scheduled to continue next year. However, Devolin said he hopes something like it or the home renovation tax credit of a few years ago is included in next month's budget to stimulate work for local small contractors. He shares Sayne's thoughts that the retrofit program was a big success in stimulating the economy and improving energy efficiency. Andrew Brown of Greg Brown Construction, who promote and install geothermal heating systems, said his business is not likely to feel the effect until next year, but, generally, customer interest in geothermal heating has matched the fluctuation of the incentives offered.

He cannot understand the premature end to the incentive program, which will lead people to consider other heating systems that are less efficient when compared to geothermal, he

"Installing a geothermal [system] is like taking two cars off the road. So any push from the government to help convince homeowners to install a geothermal system would help both their pocket [books] and the environment," he said in an

The Haliburton-based Greg Brown Construction has been installing geothermal systems since 2008.

One of the Brown's customers cannot understand the decision since he might have not otherwise installed a geothermal system without the incentive. Retired Minden resident Don Wither, who just had his system installed this autumn, said the government is sending mixed messages with this decision.

"If we're trying to encourage people to pursue eco-friendly

heating and consumption then why would they cancel something like that," he said. "Why are they bothering with 250,000 households? We're either in or we are not when it comes to being eco-friendly."

The recently retired Wither is at odds with Devolin's defence to end the program, believing that the public may not be able to afford it when it suits the government's schedule. Although \$5,000 is not a lot for him, he acknowledges the sum is still a consideration in the larger picture.

"It becomes a question of you do the math and how much longer does it take to pay it off if you don't get the rebate for the encouragement to go forward and do it," he said.

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Their masks were designed to indicate that they are polar opposites, fitting into the mythic scenario of angel/ devil, light/dark, creator/disturber, spiritual/material, hero/clown, etc.

Terra is the gatherer. She is ageless, but has a "goddess" look and feel. She wears earthy tones.

Toad is the trickster. He is slippery and slithery, with big eyes and mouth, seeming to have emerged from the depths.

After the characters are fully developed, Lady Isadora will facilitate the creation of short dance performances with the audiences who helped to bring Terra and Toad

Creative Team: Michael Fay, Artistic Director Karen Sloan, Art Director Daniela Pagliaro, Choreographer Fay Martin, Producer

Actors/Dancers: Lila Sweet, Terra Sebastian Renal, Toad

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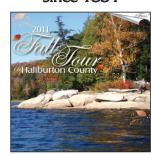
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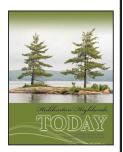


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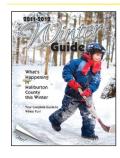


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# Minden skaters travel to Bala for competition

On Jan. 28 the busy Minden skaters travelled in some blustery weather to Bala for the Cranberry Capers competition. Alexius Mills competed in the Pre-Preliminary Ladies A event attaining a silver reward for her skate. Madison Allaire competed in Pre-Preliminary C and was also awarded a silver for her efforts. In the Preliminary ladies event Ariel Weiss finished fourth-a great skate for the young skater who returned

#### Notices

#### **Request For Proposals** DUE: March 9th, 2012 @ 4:00 p.m.

The Township of Minden Hills is requesting proposals from qualified consultants for the creation of a Minden Hills Village Development Master Plan. The Deadline for questions concerning the RFP is February 13th to 24th, 2012 (please note all questions and answers will be shared, on an unattributed basis, with every potential bidder requesting this service).

Consultants proposing to bid are invited to attend an onsite meeting to discuss and review all materials on Monday, February 13th, 2012 at the Minden Hills Municipal Office, 7 Milne St., Minden, Ontario on the Second Floor in the Boardroom at 1:00 p.m. We would kindly ask that you RSVP to Laura Cunliffe @ lcunliffe@mindenhills.ca if you are

Tenders will be received in a SEALED envelope clearly marked "Minden Hills Village Development Master Plan" no later than Friday, March 9th, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. as set out in the RFP, addressed to Minden Hills Municipal Office, 7 Milne St., Minden, Ontario KOM 2KO.

For further information please direct your inquiries to (705) 286-1260 ext 215 - Laura Cunliffe, Interim Clerk (Icunliffe@mindenhills.ca) www mindenhills ca

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#### NOTICE

THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS WILL CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE FEES & CHARGES BY-LAW #11-82 AT THEIR MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD, 2012, AT APPROXIMATELY 10:00 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 7 MILNE STREET, MINDEN:

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SCHEDULE H: Parks and Recreation

SCHEDULE I: Environment - Water, Sewer & Landfill SCHEDULE D: Minden Hills Cultural Centre

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THE HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS WATER TRAILS PROGRAM (as set out in the January 12th, 2012 Committee of the Whole Agenda/Minutes.

(Full details are available on the Township website (Notices) and copies of the amended Schedules are also available upon request).

Laura Cunliffe, Interim Clerk (705) 286-1260 Ext 215 lcunliffe@mindenhills.ca

to the ice only two weeks previous after suffering a broken collar bone earlier in the season. Jordyn Greer competed Preliminary ladies and finished sixth. Young Sophie Mills competed in her first competition and although undecided as to whether to take to the ice, after a bit of convincing this five year old finished with a bronze level skate in stage three elements. Ava Allaire finished with a silver in her stage five elements. Shae MacNaull turned in a personal best skate in the Jr. Bronze ladies event and finished first for this outstanding skate. Congratulations to all these young ladies. Now the majority of the skating club is busy preparing for the Toni Carr Memorial Interclub Competition which is being hosted by the Minden Club on March 3 and 4. Skaters from 13 clubs will arrive at the arena for this event where individuals from four to 18 years of age will compete in individual and team events. Come out and cheer them on.



#### NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 34(1) of the Municipa

Act, 2001, S.O. 2001 c.25, as amended that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on Thursday, February 23, 2012 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., by-laws

1. File No. SRA-11-06 Applicant - Robert A. STIMSON

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Big Bob Lake, lying in front of Lot 12, Concession 1, geographic Township of Anson, designated as Part 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9379, registered January 24, 2012.

2. File No. RA-11-01

Applicant – Richard M. Samelko

Part of the original allowance for road between Concessions 4 and 5 in front of Lot 5, in the geographic township of Hindon, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R- 9335, registered November 8,

Applicant - Michael and Yvonne POPF

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Big Bob Lake, lying in front of Lot 12, Concession 1, geographic Township of Anson, designated as Part 5. Plan 19R8920, registered March

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department of the Township of Minden Hills, 7 Milne Street, during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 8th day of February,

(Ms) Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM, ACST Planning Administrator



Attention: Aggregate, Truck & Equipment Owners **Aggregate Material** 

Please submit a detailed price list indicating the various aggregate products in a sealed envelope to:

Box 359. 7 Milne Street

Minden, Ontario, KOM 2KO

Attention: Kevin Hill, CRS-S

Road Superintendent

Clearly Marked "Aggregate Prices", no later than Monday February 21, 2011 by 12:00 noon.

Tenders to be opened at 12:00 noon - Monday February 21.

Lowest or any Tender not necessarily Accepted For further information please contact: Kevin Hill, Road Superintendent (705) 286-3144

Equipment and Truck Rentals for 2011.

If you are interested, application forms are available at the Municipal Office, 7-Milne St, main reception or on line at www. mindenhills.ca under the public notice tab.

Please submit Equipment and Truck Rentals separately to: Township of Minden Hills

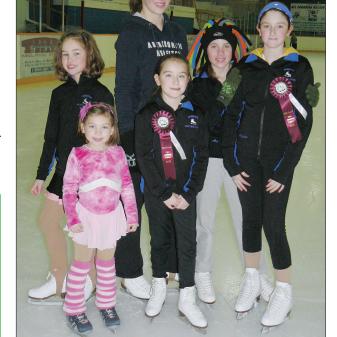
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Back row, from left to right are Alexius Mills, Shae MacNaull, Ariel Weiss and Madison Allaire. Front row, from left to right are Sophie Mills, Ava Allaire. Missing from the photo is Jordyn Greer. /Submitted

## Winterfest returns to Kinmount

Winterfest returns to Kinmount Sunday, Feb. 26. Pre-events include a winter-themed decorating contest and the downhill dash colouring contest. Organizers are thrilled to see the return of sleigh rides by Mash Hill Carriages. New attractions include the Antique Classic Snowmobile Club of Canada, skijoring demonstrations and log curling. How's your chili making talent? Participants are invited to enter the chili contest. Don't miss the popular downhill dash, back for its third year. Contest-

ants make and decorate a toboggan from cardboard and tape than bring it to hill to compete. Prizes awarded for best decorated and farthest distance in three age categories. Pre-registration preferred but not mandatory. Registration forms, rules and colouring contest sheets available at kinmount.ca and local businesses. Pancake breakfast - country raffle 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Kinmount Community Centre. Live music, country raffle, adults \$5, under 12, \$3, pre-schoolers free. Free skate at Kinmount arena begins at 10 a.m. Helmets mandatory under 16. 11 a.m. Downhill dash registration, chili contest registration; antique snowmobile display; wildlife caller; maple taffy on snow; photo op fur trapper display; wood carving demo; Sparky and firefighters and much more. All day snack bar and outdoor barbecue pizza-beef on a bun and more. Winterfest is sponsored by the Kinmount Business Association, a sub-committee of Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development. For more details visit kinmount.ca or call 705-488-2961.



#### **Final Rail Trail Workshop Evaluating Options**

Interested member of the public are invited to participate in this final workshop on the Rail Trail to express their level of support for a variety of options that have come forward throughout the community engagement process.

The workshop will be held on Thursday, February 9th from 6:30-9:30 pm at the Minden Community Centre.

There will also be a final survey accessible on-line around the same date at www.surveymonkey.com/s/RT-evaluating-options.

Click on the Rail Trail tab of the County's website for more information about the on-going community engagement strategy for the Trail.

http://www.haliburtoncounty.ca/

# Community members get involved to reduce number of falls

#### **Riley Maracle**

Co-op student

Haliburton County is known to be a hot spot for people who are retired as well as senior citizens.

Since the population of senior citizens is high (around 24 per cent) this means the town must ensure that the sidewalks and crosswalks are in good shape. The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit (HKPR) and the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team, have

joined forces to help against seniors falling.

Bev Kraulis of the Aging Well Committee was curious to find out how many people have fallen in the county.

She received some stats for falls from standing that resulted in a suspected fracture in 2010, and she found out that 62 people fell in the county, and of those 62 people, 48 of them (77.4 per cent) were over the age of 50.

"That's a large number," Kraulis said, adding it should be lower.

She encourages people to keep their walkways and stairs and entrances to businesses clear.

"If you don't make it easier, seniors won't come in to your business," she

This is not only just for senior citizens, there were still 14 people under the age of 50 who fell in 2010.

The Aging Well Committee, which is a volunteer-run committee, suggests that businesses should mark edges of steps in bright colours so people can easily

see them and make sure that walkways and stair areas are well lit. You can also keep stairs in good repair and if they are high stairs, try to find an alternative entrance for people who have a hard time walking, and a grab bar for people to use to keep balance. Try having grab bars in homes to prevent falls as well as purchasing ice/snow traction cleats. Just slowing down, paying attention and planning ahead also help. Carol Browne of the Aging Well Committee also encourages people to go slowly and be mindful of the weather conditions.

"If the weather is bad don't go out," said Browne.

#### **The Highlands Male Chorus**

**Presents** 

#### Wintermission

**Guest Artists - Heritage Ballet - Bound for Russia** 

**Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion** 

Sunday February 12 - 3:00 pm

Reserved Seating - \$15.00



Treat your sweetheart to a great afternoon of music.

Tickets available at

**Cranberry Cottage - Haliburton** 

**Pharmasave - Minden** 

## Coming Events



#### HALIBURTON MOVIE NIGHTS

Thursday, Feb 9/12:

#### **MIDNIGHT IN PARIS**



A light-hearted fantasy, Woody Allen's latest film, Midnight in Paris, is "a magical stroll through a magnificent city." This romantic comedy centres on a young writer's great love of Paris and his fascination with the city's fabulous literary past. Midnight in Paris is beautifully shot, superbly written, and thoroughly enjoyable, starring Owen Wilson, Rachel McAdams, Marion Cotillard, Kathy Bates. Rated14A - 94 min

#### Coming next.... Thursday, March 8/12: **MONSIEUR LAZHAR (Oscar nominee)**

2 shows - 4:15 & 7:15 - Tickets \$8.00 at the door Northern Light Pavilion, Haliburton High School More info: www.haliburton-movies.com

# community Calendar What's happening in the County



#### Post your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca or to the Halibuton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca

Youth Unlimited is offering an after school program, at A.S.E.S starting Jan 31 for grades 6, 7, 8 for 6 weeks, in the school library from 3:30-5:30pm for fun games, activities, talk time & a healthy snacks. Registration forms available at school or online at www.youthunlimitedkaw.com or call 705-854-0401

Jan 15-March 4th The Canadian Association for Disabled Skiing (CADS) will run a low cost Sunday programme for children and adults who have any form of disability, ie. physical, social, visible. Age is no problem. A pre-programme registration is required. Our 2012 programme begins at Sir Sams January 15th at 9:30am. and concluded by 3pm. or when the student shows signs of fatigue. Volunteers with average skiing ability are welcome to participate in the programme. For more information call Terry Maher 705-457-9604

Feb 14, 21, & 28 Yoga at the Library with Linda Shadbolt from 4-5p, in the Howard Roberts Room Admission by donation to the Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library

Feb 8: The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild will meet at 1 pm at Stanhope Community Centre. Jan Anderson, an Osteopath, will instruct on how to prevent and treat chronic and acute injuries as they apply to sewing and quilting. Bring running shoes, comfortable clothes, a pen & paper and participate. Call Pat Stiver at (705) 489-3751 for information.

Feb 11: Lochlin community Centre Spaghetti Dinner served with meat sauce, salad, roll and dessert. Adults \$10 Children 12 & under \$6 Children 4 and under FREE. For reservations call Leitha @ 705-286-1398 or Helen 705-286-6087 Seatings available for 4:30 or 5:45

Feb 11: Tall Pines Snowmobile Club Poker Rally for more information visit www.tallpines.org

Feb 18: Come one! Come all! Musical Variety concert at the Maple Lake United Church. 7p.m. All Welcome! Local talent! Good-will offering. Refreshments available!

Haliburton Highlands Hand Weavers & Spinners Guild meet at the Zion United Church, Carnarvon on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm. For more information call Marian Gillanders at 705-489-3574

- TOASTMASTERS meet at the Minden United Church Wednesdays at 7pm Everyone Welcome ages 18 80. What is TOASTMASTERS? Visit www.toastmasters.org
- Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636 will be hosting a musical performance by The Kellett Family on Saturday, March 3 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.. The afternoon includes 'Open Mic' time for anyone that want to take the stage and there will be meat draws with tickets purchased at the event. The public is invited to join us at the intersection of Hwy #35 and County Road #21.
- The Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636 is looking for volunteers to help out in the branch kitchen. If you can spare a few hours each week to help the Legion continue their support to the community and the membership please call the branch at 705-286-4541. It will be much appreciated.
- SCENE/SEEN in Haliburton: Rails End Gallery Members' Salon Exhibition Enjoy the "Haliburton scene" and check out this group exhibition in the salon style. Cast your vote for the Peoples Choice Award and see work by over 50 talented local artists in a wide range of media. Gallery hours Wed – Sat 11-5 23 York St. Haliburton Village www. railsendgallery.com 457 2330
- Help to Preserve our History with a veterans museum Wanted: British, Canadian or German WWI and WWII items Uniforms, helmets and caps and metals, photographs, shells and weapons Please do not donate money. Items broken or in part are welcome. Contact Martin Hofland at 705-457-2382

Events listings are provided FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be emailed to jmceathron@mindentimes.ca or brought

Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date. NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

# **Bantam B girls win 1-0 in playoffs**

The Highland Storm Minden Car Ouest Bantam B girls started their first round of league playoffs against West Northumberland in a best of three series at home in Minden, Sunday afternoon.

The spirited battle was a hard fought contest that finished in favour of the Storm girls in a 1 - 0 win. Nicole Black scored the single goal finishing off a nice rush down the boards and putting the puck past the West Northumberland netminder low to the blocker.

A few chippy opponents took some late penalties giving the storm a couple power play opportunities.

The Storm girls kept their composure and "toughed-out" a grinding finish to the big win. Connor Marsden stopped all shots and secured the shut out victory. Big game this Saturday on the road in Cobourg.

Submitted by Dan Marsden

#### Tykes travel to Port Carling

Saturday, Feb. 4 The Highland Storm Tykes travelled to Port Carling for a 1:30 p.m. puck drop. First goal was scored by Nick Phippen in the first period.

With great effort by Dylan Keefer in the net. We were down 4-1 after the second. Highland Storm Tykes rallied together ... with their sticks on the ice determined to give it all they had.

They would not go down with out a fight. They scored six unanswered goals in nine minutes: Kyan Hall scores his first for the year assisted by Nick Phippen. Nick Phippen scores the third. Damon Harriss scores assisted by Matt Vargas. Matt Vargas scores assisted by Gage Hutchinson. Nick Phippen scores the sixth and Ty Mills scores his first goal for the team this season assisted by Hunter Winder.

We won 7-4. Great plays for Ryan Rupnow, Ava Smith and Emily Alexander.

Submitted by Monica Keefer

#### **Atom AEs lose 4-1**

The Highland Storm Atom AE team played two away games against the Georgian Shores team in the Thornbury arena on Saturday and Sunday.

Storm lost the first game 4-1 with a lone goal scored by Jake O'Neill. Storm played well but had a little bad luck and could not capitalize on the power play. The Storm team played their best defensive game of the year in their second game earning one point from a 2-2 tie.

The Storm defence was excellent in blocking a number of shots. Jake O'Neill scored the first goal of the game early in the first period and then the Storm defence shut down the Georgian Shores attack until late in the second period when a Georgian Shores player was able to shoot one in from the slot area. Georgian Shores scored a second goal with four minutes left in the game but Jake O'Neill equalized it with two minutes left to play.

No one could score in overtime. Georgian Shores enjoyed an obvious hometown advantage in the two games. The Storm team is looking forward to playing two games against them in Minden next weekend where Georgian Shores won't have hometown advantage.

Submitted by Larry Bukta

#### Bantams go two games up

The Bantam AEs sponsored by Dave's Landscaping and McKee Security travelled to Thornbury on the weekend to continue the opening round of the OMHA play downs verses the Georgian Shores Lightning. The Storm found themselves behind 20 seconds into the game as the home team pounced on a defensive miscue and opened the scor-

Going into the second period down a goal the Storm's offence went to work. In a 32-second span they struck three times. Kyle Lavergne began the onslaught as Hunter Bishop got the face off to him and he fired it home. Lavergne scored again after some hard work by Bishop and Brenden McKee behind the Lightning net. The line combined once more with McKee providing the finish.

The Storm were not yet done as McKee and Damen Winder scored to make it five goals in a row. The Lightning got a goal back and the teams went into the third with the Storm up 5-2.

Georgians Shores opened the final frame with a goal to close the gap to two before McKee went to work once more. He scored first on the power play after Jaydon Wood won the puck in the corner and passed to Angus Sullivan, McKee poked home the rebound from Sullivan's point shot. He also scored the next goal with Wood and Caleb Schmidt drawing the assists. Ryan Edwards rounded out the scoring on a solo effort making it an 8-3 final. McKee was all over the ice as well as the score sheet ending with a four goal, five point game. Lavergne also had a big night with two goals and two helpers while Jaydon Wood had four assists and Hunter Bishop three.

Game three will go in Haliburton at 4 p.m. this Satur-

Submitted by Doug Sullivan

#### Another win for the Highland **Storm Peewee AE team**

It's looking good for The Highland Storm Peewee AE team as they captured game two of the first round of playoffs against Oshawa on Sunday, Feb. 5. Another awesome shut-out for goalie, Josh Bellefleur and the Storm team, walking away with a 2-0 win.

The Storm started out strong and got the first goal half way through the first period. A pass from Jesse Sisson to the point landed on the stick of Aidan Garbutt, his shot was hard and high and it found net. That one goal lead continued into the third period making for some exciting hockey. It was late in the third period when a battle in front of the net resulted in another goal for the Storm team. With some help from Carter O'Neill and Mitch Billings, Jon Morrison tipped the puck in securing the win. Great jobs boys!!

The Highland Storm Peewee AE teams is proudly sponsored by Tom Prentice Trucking

Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke

#### **Atom As win three** games straight

Saturday afternoon we took off to play Schomberg up three games to none, in our preliminary round of playoffs. We came out a little on the slow side, but as the game pro-

gressed we picked up our

After the first period the game was tied 1-1. That score remained the same throughout the second period as well. We started the third period after the flood a little more focused, and had a win in mind. After some good defense and some accurate shots on the net and some key goaltending, we managed to come out on top with a win of 5-1. Scoring our goals were Owen Gilbert (2), Luke Hunter (2), and Benn Macnaull (1). Assists go to Austin French (2), Nik Dollo (3), and Zach Morissette(1). Great job boys on shutting them down three games straight, keep up the good

The team is Sponsored by Dollo's Foodland.

Submitted by Joanne Sis-

## **Coming Events**

#### Minden Bible Church

is hosting a family movie night on Friday February 10th at 7 p.m.



"The Ultimate Gift"

("life is how you live it .... not how you spend it") starring James Garner and Brian Dennehy.

Admission: by donation to the food bank



Place: Head/Grass/Kash/Soyer/Canning

(5 Lk. Chain)

**Time:** 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Category: Lake Trout/Walleye/Whitefish 4th, 5th place

Cost: \$20.00 per person

All Participants must sign-in prior to fishing. Registration from 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the Town Dock - Haliburton.

Final Weigh-in at 4:00 PM

For more information call: Hatchery: 705-457-9664

> This is family day weekend and a license is not needed as it is a free fishing weekend. MNR rules apply.

# Join us for family heritage day on Feb. 18



**Patti Fleury** Around the Town

705-488-2938 Fax: 488-1246 brucefleury@nexicom.net

Well this weekend grandson Ben turned eight matching the number on the back of his hockey jersey and that of his NHL hero Ovechkin. Ben continues to enjoy hockey and after 13 games with his league leading team has an impressive record of 26 goals and 12 assists. Hockey aside he really is a great little guy. Apparently this coming Thursday, February 9th is "National Sweater Day" so dig into the closet for your favourite. Now that I am much too old to carry a blanket and suck my thumb, habits finally given up at age seven, when the blues strike or dental work calls then out comes the old, brown tweedy turtleneck. Bought in Minden years ago and washed a hundred times it is my wardrobe soul food". Writing about sweaters thoughts go back to U of Γ days long ago when the chorus rang out "Put on your old blue sweater the dirtier the better and we'll all have another keg of beer" etc. A complete novice in the alcohol department I sang along heartily and over the next three years added other great lyrics to my repertoire including such classics as the student engineers' anthem "Godiva was a lady who through Coventry did ride".

Users of the Rural Route Transit that runs from Kinmount to Lindsay and return every other Monday please note that

there is a new more centrally located pick-up location at Gateway General Store and Café on Main Street. The bus leaves town at 8 a.m. and in February the service dates are Feb. 13 and 27. For residents of Galway-Cavendish & Harvey Township many of whom live in Kinmount and area the 4th Annual "Family Heritage Day" will be held at the Buckhorn Community Centre on Saturday, Feb. 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The program includes a variety of entertainment and interesting activities for the whole family with the multi-national food court a featured attraction. When planning the event the Heritage Day Committee identified residents who represented at least fourteen different cultural backgrounds. The community centre is located at 1801 Lakehurst Road, Buckhorn, 705-657-8833. For more details please contact Mayor Janet Clarkson's office at 705-657-3315. Big bucks bid euchre is coming up on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441 starting at 11 a.m. This popular event is held on the third Wednesday of each month and includes in the modest cost a delicious hot lunch. Later in February due to popular demand the Legion is planning a liver 'n onions lunch with an alternate entrée also available. To confirm the date give the branch a call at 705-488-3462.

At the Kinmount Branch the Friends of the Library will hold their monthly book sale on the lower level of the facility on Saturday, Feb. 18 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. with great bargains on hand. Donations of used books in good condition are welcome and can be dropped off in the marked receptacle at the Library but please no text books, magazines or encyclopedia sets. For hours, programs and more give librarian Mary Ann a call at 705-488-3199.

Come celebrate with and help support the Kinmount Gazette & the Victoria Pony Club at the Dinner and Loonie Auction on Saturday, March 3 at the Galway Hall. This will be the fourth such event to raise funds for these worthwhile community projects with the Social Hour at 5 p.m. followed by a delicious ham and scalloped potatoes dinner at 6 p.m. After dessert popular auctioneer Doug Pearson will loosen your purse strings with tempting prizes all for a good cause and more donations of auction items would be welcomed. Tickets are \$12/person and available from any Gazette or Ponv Club member, or by calling 705-488-2547.

Kinmount Winterfest is fast approaching. Mark your calendars for Sunday, Feb. 26 and enjoy a pancake breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Kinmount Community Centre. To enter the chili contest put together your best recipe in the crock pot and take it to the Kinmount arena at the Fairgrounds by 11 a.m.

Chili buyers will get to sample each entry and vote for their favourite. Dress up an outdoor area at your house with a Winterfest theme then register at 705-488-2961 by Feb. 24 to compete for prizes. Kids activities range from a colouring contest, the cardboard toboggan downhill dash with three age categories, a scavenger hunt and then at noon the sleigh rides courtesy of Mash Hill Carriages will begin. For details check out the website at www.kinmount.ca. and the latest issue of the Kinmount Gazette.

Until next week...

## Seniors are invited to a complimentary dinner on Feb. 22



#### Melissa Alfano

**Dorset News** 

705-766-0076 melalfano@hotmail.com

The Dorset Recreation Centre now accepts credit card and debit payments for rentals, memberships, day camp

If you haven't picked up your 2012 Dorset Heritage Museum Calendar it's not too late. The Friends of the Dorset Heritage Museum still have some left. The calendar has great old photos of Dorset's past, real treasures, and all proceeds go towards special projects for the museum. For more information, give the museum a call at 705-766-0323 and leave a message. Someone will be sure to call you

Tai Chi, Chi Kung and Meditation classes are available at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. and your first introductory class is free.

Learn how to nourish your energy and optimize your health. These classes are designed to unite mind, body and spirit and improve your overall sense of well-being through a combination of exercises from the east and the west. Participants will be introduced to an array of traditionally effective and unique movements that will build inner and outer strength and increase the flow of blood and life force energy. The regular practice of these ancient arts brings tremendous health benefits such as reducing anxiety, depression and chronic pain conditions. It will boost the immune system, burn calories, improve balance, circulation, concentration, coordination, provide cardiovascular benefit and bring peace of mind.

For more information, contact Valerie Houston - Peel of Temple Knights Wu Shu Academy at info@templeknights. com or 705-767-1177. The Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival brochures with the complete schedule were mailed out this week. Check your mailbox or call 705-766-9968 for more information.

The Dorset Lions Club invites all Seniors of Dorset (55+) to a complimentary dinner at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 6:30 p.m. Please call Lion Esther Fortney at 705-766-2830 to make a reservation.

Birthday wishes for the week of February 5 to 11 go out to Libby Timbers, Julie Mealus, Gail Hope and Gino Ballestrin. For all who have birthdays, anniversaries and special occasions this week, have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me at melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.



#### Cultural Centre

**Township of Minden Hills Minden Hills Cultural Centre Museum Curator Position** (Minden Hills Museum & RD Lawrence Place) Full-time position (\$23/hr) **General Accountabilities** 

Oversees the two museum operations; managing collections; creating exhibitions/displays, conducting tours, producing outreach services and programs, supervising staff / volunteers, applying for government grants, creating and managing budgets, maintenance and cleaning of buildings and other related duties. Minimum three years experience as a museum curator accredited from a museum course. For more information visit www.mindenculturalcentre.com for full job description.

> **Deadline for applications: February 28 Attention to: Laurie Carmount Minden Hills Cultural Centre** 176 Bobcaygeon Road Box 648 Minden Ontario KOM 2KO

## Career & Business **Opportunities**



#### **Senior Accountant**

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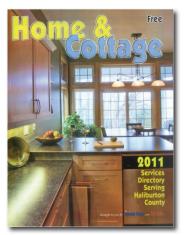
The successful applicant will have 3 - 5 years accounting experience and be currently enrolled in a professional accounting degree program. Familiarity with Microsoft Dynamics and advanced excel skills would be considered an asset.

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**Heath Swannell, Controller Patient News Publishing Ltd.** hswannell@patientnews.com Fax:705-457-5273



# Home & Cottage

Services Directory WHERE AND HOW TO FIND WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR IN HALIBURTON COUNTY

It's back... with a fresh look and a wide scope of home and cottage services and professionals in the service industry. This is the one-stop shopping guide for cottagers, renovations, redecorating, and auto or marine repairs

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#### **Recreation program receives donation**

The Minden Rotary Club recently donated more than \$1,000 to support the Point in Time after-school recreation program at Archie Stouffer Elementary School. / Photo by Cassie



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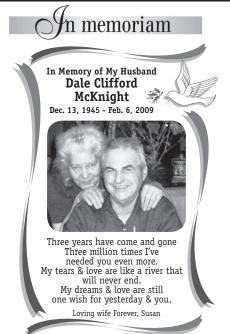
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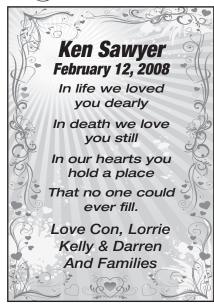
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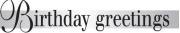
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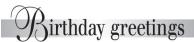
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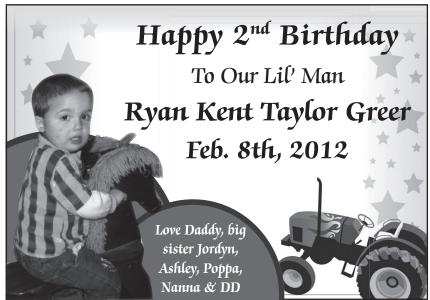


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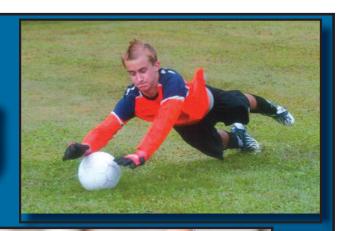
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